Local Action vs Federal In-Action



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The 111th Congress



American Clean Energy and Security Act

Waxman-Markey

Passed the House on June 26, 2009



Clean Energy Jobs and American Power Act

Kerry-Boxer

Released Oct. 27, 2009



American Power Act

Kerry-Lieberman

Released May 12, 2010





Source: Grist



U.S. Targets Under The Copenhagen Accord - 1990 Baseline



80% by 2050

Scenario category	Region	2020	2050
A-450 ppm CO ₂ -eq ^b	Annex I	-25% to -40%	–80% to –95%
	Non-Annex I	Substantial deviation from baseline in Latin America, Middle East, East Asia and Centrally-Planned Asia	Substantial deviation from baseline in all regions
B-550 ppm CO₂-eq	Annex I	-10% to -30%	-40% to -90%
	Non-Annex I	Deviation from baseline in Latin America and Middle East, East Asia	Deviation from baseline in most regions, especially in Latin America and Middle East
C-650 ppm CO ₂ -eq	Annex I	0% to -25%	-30% to -80%
	Non-Annex I	Baseline	Deviation from baseline in Latin America and MIddle East, East Asia

IPCC

4% by 2020



Climate Change Is Here Today



Glacier Bay Alaska: 1941 – 2005



Kenai Fjords, 1920 – 2005



North Pole, 1979 – 2003

Source: NASA

How Much More Do We Want?



MIAMI BEACH, FLORIDA Population: 87,933



MIAMI BEACH, FLORIDA - 1-meter sea level rise Population: 87,933 Data Source: LIDAR IHRCS



MIAMI, FLORIDA Population: 362,470



MIAMI, FLORIDA - 1.25-meter sea level rise Population: 362,470 Data Source: LIDAR IHRCS

Climate and Energy - The Administration

Copenhagen Accord

EPA GHG Authority

Recovery Act Investments/ EECBG

Sustainable Communities Partnership

Southeast Florida Regional Consortium

Adaptation







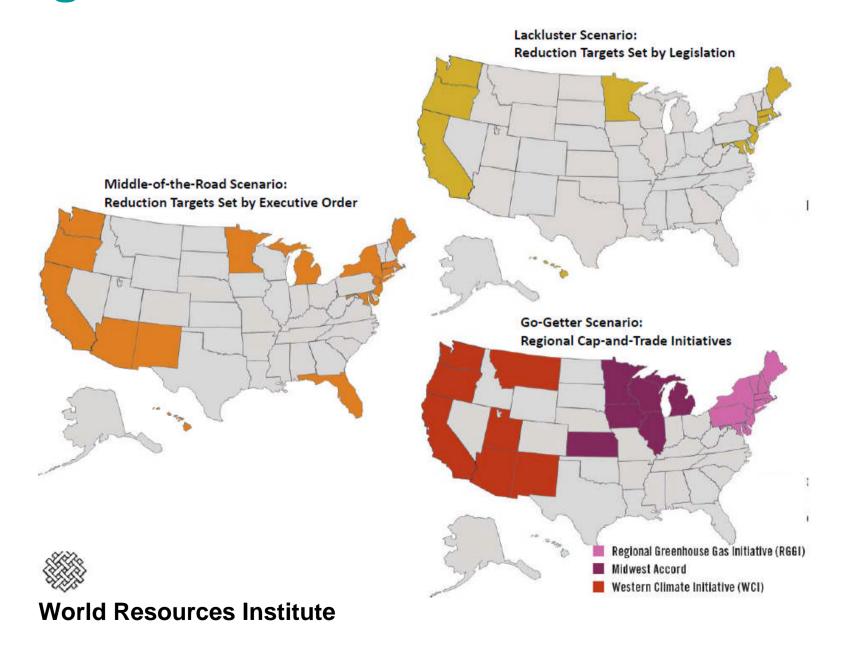
Property Assessed Clean Energy (PACE) Financing



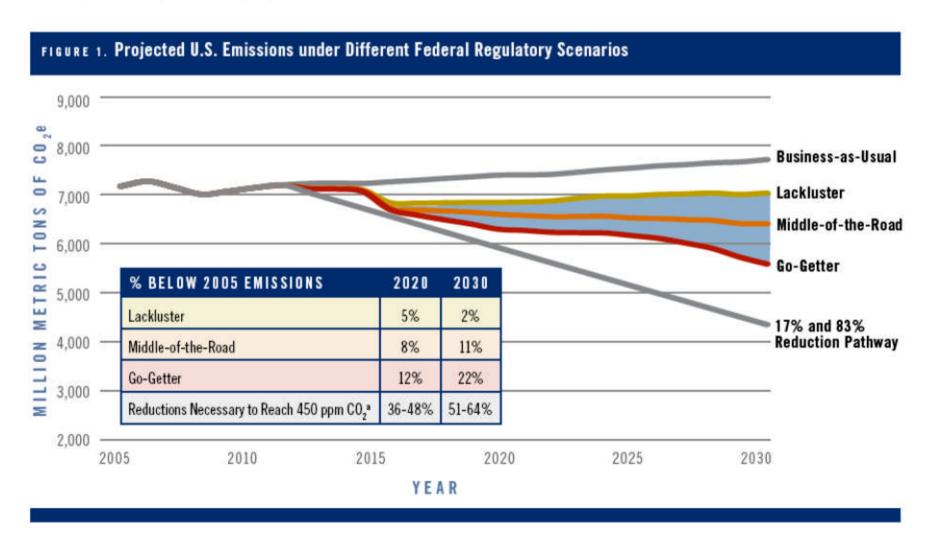
- Fannie, Freddie and FHFA Statements
- Dangerous Federal Overreach into Local Powers
- PACE Assessment Protection Act
- Litigation



Regional and State Action



With Just Existing Federal and State Authorities



Local Power Global Future

"77% of all the electricity produced at power plants in the U.S. was used to just operate buildings."

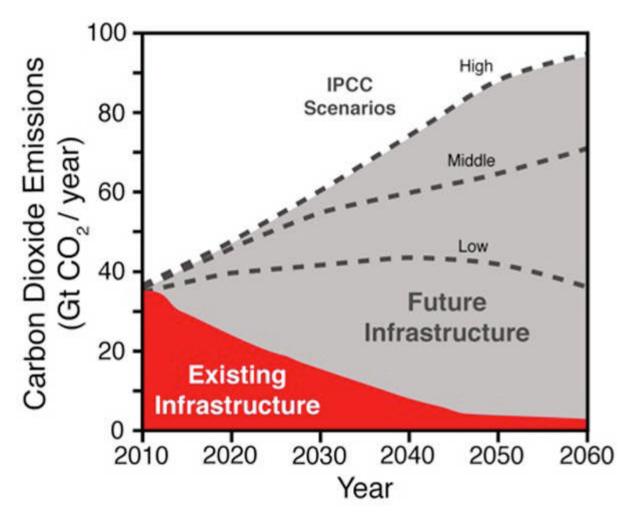
-Architecture 2030

"Transportation accounts for [33%] of CO2 emissions in the United States."

- Growing Cooler Report, ULI



Future Infrastructure

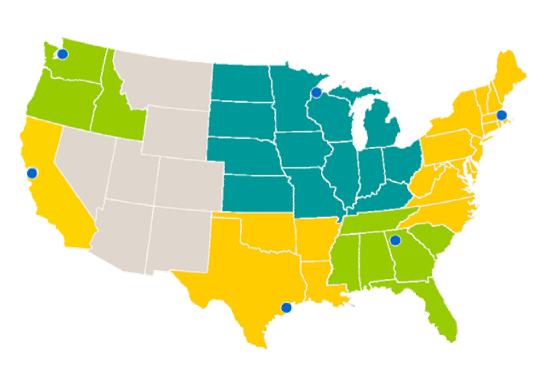


"[S]ources of the most threatening emissions have yet to be built."

"CO2-emitting infrastructure will expand unless extraordinary efforts are undertaken to develop alternatives."

ICLEI USA

7 Offices40 Staff Members600 Local Governments



Mitigation Adaptation Sustainability



5 Milestone Process



Measuring Up

Emissions reduction projected by 2020:

▼ 1.36 billion metric tons CO₂e

(= 25 million passenger vehicles for 10 years)

Emissions reduction projected by 2050:

▼ 6.8 billion metric tons CO₂e

(= 37 coal-fired power plants for 40 years)

SUSTAINABILITY PLANNING TOOLKIT The Process **Behind PlaNYC** How the City of New York Developed Its Comprehensive Long-Term Sustainability Plan he Mayor's Office of Long-Term Planning and Sustainability, City of New York ICLEI® ||planyc

Leveraging the Network



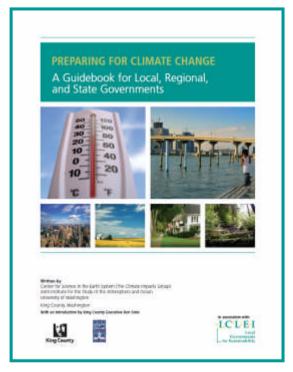


Adaptation

ICLEI USA's Adaptation Milestones

- Conduct a Climate Resiliency Study
- Set Preparedness Goals
- Develop Preparedness Plan
- Implement Preparedness Plan
- Measure Progress & Evaluate Plan







A Sustainability Index

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Wastewater Treatment - Tampa, FL

•\$83,000 Annual City Savings

Use of a byproduct of an existing process

•1.18 Million kWh Generated

Methane from the wastewater treatment plant is captured and used to generate electricity

•25% Self Powered Facility

What was considered waste is now being used as a resource





Water Treatment - Houston, TX

•\$769,000 in Annual Savings

Solar water treatment devices have reduced the cost energy intensive water treatment

Zero Up Front Costs

The City Leased the Equipment from the Solar Bee company

Environmental Benefits

GHGs – 1,436 tons CO2e avoided per year

Chemicals – 67% reduction in the need for chemical treatment





Employee Education- Asheville, NC

•\$65,000 in Annual Savings

Sourced from avoided light, heating and cooling costs

Low Cost Changes

Switch 180 employees to a 4 day/10 hr workweek

Software that automatically turns off 500 computers at night

•20% Reduction

Lights and HVAC operating at 20% less







Thank You



